

TELECONFERENCE

BOARD OF NURSING MINUTES

September 15, 2005

PRESENT: Marilyn Kaufmann, Terri Garcia, Blaine Ropson,
Jacqueline Johnsrud (joined at 8:58 a.m.), Peg Heine
Marie Kohlbeck, Kathleen Sullivan (left teleconference at 9:04 a.m.)

EXCUSED: June Bahr

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Director of Health Service Professions; Colleen Baird,
Legal Counsel; Steve Gloe, Head Legal Counsel, and Gina York, Bureau Assistant

GUESTS: None

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Kathleen Sullivan called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m. A quorum of seven members was present for today's meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions to the Agenda:

None.

MOTION: Marilyn Kaufmann moved, seconded by Blaine Ropson, to approve the agenda of September 15, 2005 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION REGARDING LICENSURE OF DISPLACED PROFESSIONALS

The Board reviewed the proposal for the handling of displaced professionals from the states affected by hurricane Katrina. After some discussion, the Board took the following actions at today's meeting.

MOTION: Marilyn Kaufmann moved, seconded by Terrie Garcia, to allow provisional licensure for displaced nurses (RN & LPN) from Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi with the effective dates from September 15, 2005 through March 15, 2006 using the prerequisites and policies as described in the proposal regarding licensure of displaced professionals. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Marilyn Kaufmann moved, seconded by Kathleen Sullivan, to remove Mississippi from the previous motion as it is a compact state and nurses are already able to practice in the State of Wisconsin. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Marilyn Kaufmann moved, seconded by Marie Kohlbeck, to recommend the licenses issued to displace professionals be indicated on the license as “provisional” rather than “limited” if at all possible. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board requested that a Press Release regarding the licensure of displaced professionals to be sent out by the Department as soon as possible.

REPORT ON MEDICAL BOARD DECISION REGARDING DECLARATION RULING

The Medical Board met on September 14, 2005 and discussed the topic regarding a declaration ruling. Kathleen Sullivan did a presentation to the Medical Board on behalf of the Board of Nursing sharing relevant information on this issue. The Medical Board made a motion to request a hearing regarding a declaratory ruling be done.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Marilyn Kaufmann moved, seconded by Blaine Ropson, to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State statutes 29.85(1)(a)(b)(f) and (g) for the purpose of conducting appearances, reviewing monitoring requests, requests for licensure, deliberate on stipulations, administrative warnings, proposed decisions and orders, consulting with Legal Counsel and Division of Enforcement case status reports. Motion carried by roll call vote: Marilyn Kaufmann-yes, Blaine Ropson-yes, Terrie Garcia-yes, Peg Heine-yes; Marie Kohlbeck-yes, Jacqueline Johnsrud-yes.

Open Session recessed at 9:18 a.m.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Blaine Ropson moved, seconded by Peg Heine, to reconvene into open session at 9:40 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

**REQUEST FOR HEARING TO CONSIDER WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF NURSE
ANESTHETISTS PETITION FOR A DECLARATORY RULING REGARDING
INDEPENDENT MEDICARE PRACTICE BY CERTIFIED
REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS (“CRNAS”)**

MOTION: Marilyn Kaufmann moved, seconded by Blaine Ropson, that the petition for a declaratory ruling has been granted. The process for the hearing on this petition will be determined at the October 2005 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Marilyn Kaufmann moved, seconded by Blaine Ropson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.